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WHISKEY CRISIS IN SUMMER

SHOULD the strength of Irish whiskey be reduced in order to relieve a shortage which licensed grocers believe to be due either to surreptitious exports or to the holding of whiskey in bond by individual purchasers in the hope of an increased price later on?

The possibility was seriously entertained at the annual meeting of the Licensed Grocers' and Vintners' Association in Commercial Buildings, Dublin, yesterday, after the chairman (Mr. C. Scarson) adverted to the existing restrictions on the purchase of whiskey, and said that the whole situation was one of complexity and dissatisfaction, because the distillers were unaware of any arrangement to ensure sufficient whiskey to meet the requirements of the home trade. Mr. Scarson referred to the exports of whiskey held by the liquidators of the D.W.D. Company, and declared that an undertaking given by the Minister for Supplies last year, that arrangements had been made with the distillers to supply the home market's requiremgnts, had proved misleading.

Calling for the discontinuance of whiskey exports, Mr. E. Madigan (Dublin) said that the position was becoming very serious for Irish traders, and there might be a crisis next summer.

REDUCED STRENGTH

When the suggestion that the strength of whiskey should be reduced was made, Mr. James Brown, who said that he had public-houses on both sides of the border, suggested an amendment of the law which would enable the clearance of three-year-old spirits, and an amendment of the Food and Drugs Act fixing the strength at not less than thirty-five per cent. under proof.

The meeting heard strong criticism of the attitude of the assistants in relation to the Intoxicating Liquor Bill. "The very people who were looking for bonuses, higher wages and shorter hours have been trying to scuttle the ship on which they depend," said Mr. J. Ryan. Until the system directed from Banba Hall was broken, the trade, he added, would find itself wrecked some day by the very men that it was employing.

Another speaker, Mr. Gill, declared that the attitude of the assistants was sabotage by those who were living out of the business.

A protest was made by Mr. Molloy (Tallaght) against aspersions, unsupported by evidence, cast on the respectable *bona-fide* traders of County Dublin by the Minister for Justice in both Dail and Senate, and the Chairman said that they all deplored the charges that had been made because of a few black sheep.

MR. CHURCHILL'S CONDITION

A bulletin issued from 10 Downing street, London, last night stated that Mr. Churchill's condition continued unchanged.

An earlier bulletin stated that Mr. Churchill's condition had improved. There had been no extension of the inflammation in the lung.

AMERICAN NAVY SECRETARY

Fast Axis U-Boat Building

Stating yesterday that a German U-boat had been sunk in the Atlantic by a United States destroyer and a Japanese submarine sunk by a United States freighter, Colonel Knox, U.S. Navy Secretary, said in Washington that there was no hope of an early removal of the submarine menace.

He estimated that the Germans are building submarines much faster than the Allies are sinking them.

Generally speaking, the number of merchantmen sunk had been much less in the last three months, but the lull might be due to the weather.

He declined to say whether two cargo ships which were sunk in the Atlantic, with heavy loss of army, navy, and marine *personnel*, were in convoy. He also refused to comment on Stalin's statement that Russia was bearing the entire burden of the war because the Allies had not opened a second front in Europe.—Reuter.

25 LOST IN 'PLANE CRASH

LISBON, Tuesday.—When the Yankee Clipper crashed in the Tagus last night 13 of the passengers and crew were injured. Twenty-one persons are believed to have gone down with the flying-boat and four other bodies have been recovered. The chief pilot and six of the crew are among the injured, while three men and three women passengers escaped.—(Reuter.)

British Minister in 'Plane Mishap

Mr. Harold Macmillan, British Minister Resident in Algiers, suffered from slight shock following a mishap to his 'plane in North Africa.

Other passengers in the 'plane escaped injury.

It is expected that Mr. Macmillan will resume work in a few days.

PANZERS HELD IN TUNISIA

THE bitter tank battle in Tunisia was reported last night to be "subsiding," and Reuter stated that both sides are reorganising and getting their "second wind." British and American tanks and infantry, it is claimed, held strong Axis attacks yesterday around Kasserine, and inflicted a heavy defeat on the German panzers.

The Germans claimed last night that their offensive operations in Southern Tunisia have ended temporarily with the "capture of important pass positions."

Consolidating

Reuter states that British and American troops are now consolidating their positions outside Thala, gateway to Tebessa. The Allied success, resulting in heavy German tank losses, marks the first time the Germans have been held since they began their push in Southern Tunisia with the capture of Faid Pass on February 15.

The position is said to be better, from the Allies' point of view, than it has been for days past, but hard fighting and hard work still lie ahead.

The Allies are still holding positions three or four miles south of Thala.

The Allied success followed heavy fighting, lasting since Friday, when German guns began the thirty hours' bombardment which led to the American retreat from Kasserine Pass.

Since that time Allied troops have been putting up strong resistance. Light batteries have tackled the formidable German "Tiger" tanks at almost point-blank range as they have swung round the winding mountain roads. German artillery, up in strength, has pounded positions which there had been no time to prepare, but have not advanced.

"Fourteen of their tanks were destroyed, many others damaged, heavy casualties inflicted and prisoners taken. Rain and mud have helped to slow down the Germans' momentum, and there are evident signs of exhaustion among the attackers.

The battle for Thala was fought in a defile at the northern end of a plateau across which the road winds from Kasserine.

THRUST HALTED

A second German thrust against the American forces defending the Kasserine-Tebessa road—following on the double-pronged thrust on Sunday with two columns of tanks—has also been halted.

Churchill tanks—powerful armoured units carrying six-pounder guns—are now in action with the British forces.

Algiers radio stated last night: "The second phase of the fighting in Tunisia is definitely less favourable to the Axis than the first. Their losses in men and material have been particularly heavy."

The German News Agency last night said that "the Axis offensive operations in Southern Tunisia, begun eight days ago, were yesterday temporarily ended with the capture of important pass positions.

"During the whole operation," it was stated, "4,016 prisoners, including 3,000 Americans, were taken. Enemy losses included 253 tanks, 171 armoured transport cars, 119 guns, 15 aircraft and a large munition dump."

The agency gave the forces opposed to the Axis troops as one U.S. tank division, two U.S. infantry divisions and three British brigades.—(Reuter and Press Association.)

"END OF WAR IS NOT NEAR"

Warnings that the end of the war is not yet imminent were given yesterday by M. Maisky (Soviet Ambassador) and Sir Stafford Cripps.

M. Maisky said that it would be the greatest error to think that Germany is on her last legs. "The victories of the Red Army are creating optimistic illusions. We cannot afford to live in a fool's paradise. This fact is very often overlooked in hearing the victory bulletins. It is natural, therefore, that the U.S.S.R. expects an early realisation of the military decisions taken at Casablanca. The sooner the Anglo-American forces begin to deliver hard blows against Germany in Europe, the sooner will come our common victory and the smaller will be the sacrifices needed for it."

Sir Stafford Cripps (Minister of Aircraft Production) told aircraft workers: "We are not yet by any means at the end of this war. It is quite true things are going much better than they were, but they have a long and difficult way to go before this war is over, and nothing short of complete victory will satisfy the people of Britain."

President Saw Archbishop

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.—President Roosevelt to-day admitted that he saw Mgr. Spellman, Archbishop of New York, before he left for Europe.

Asked if Monsignor Spellman carried a message from him, the President said that he was unable to comment on the subject. The Archbishop went abroad, he added with a smile, as Chaplain Bishop to the U.S. armed forces. This office was his primary objective, and he would visit the various military areas.

Monsignor Spellman, who arrived at the Vatican on Saturday from Spain, is reported to have had three audiences with the Pope since his arrival.—(Reuter.)

AXIS TANKER SUNK

Malta-based torpedo bombers on Monday night sank a large Axis tanker off western Sicily. It is estimated that the ship held 3,000,000 gallons of petrol. As the salvo of torpedoes hit her amidships there was a tremendous explosion, and she burned furiously.—Reuter.

"3,300 British 'Planes Lost"

LONDON, Tuesday.—More than 3,300 British bombers, including over 600 four-engine machines, were destroyed over Germany and occupied territories in 1942, according to German figures, says Oslo radio.—(Reuter.)

Russians Storm Big German Base at Sumy

THE Red Army yesterday stormed the important railway junction and German base at Sumy, and further north the Germans have been thrown from the important town of Malo-Arkhangelsk, 40 miles south of Orel, which is still more closely menaced by Russian forces 20 miles away.

Berlin last night claimed successes for Axis counter-attacks between the Dnieper Bend and Krasnodar, and spoke of a growing impression that the Soviet offensive "has now reached its culminating point."

MOSCOW, Tuesday.—A special communiqué issued in Moscow to-night states:—

"On February 23 our troops in the Ukraine continued the offensive, and occupied the towns of Sumy, Akhtyrka and Lebedin. In the Kursk region our troops, after stubborn fighting, occupied the town and railway station of Malo-Arkhangelsk."—(Reuter.)

Sumy is 90 miles north-west of Kharkov. Malo-Arkhangelsk is about 40 miles south of Orel, on the main Orel-Kursk railway, and Akhtyrka is about 60 miles north-west of Kharkov, and Lebedin is 30 miles south-west of Sumy and west of Kharkov.—(Reuter.)

TRIPLE ADVANCE

LONDON, Tuesday — Reuter's Moscow Correspondent, cabling to-night, says:—"The Red Army to-day drove deeper into the Ukraine on a 150-mile front, based on Pavlograd, Krasnograd and Trostianetz, and the German defences were also broken into at one point below Orel. Russian forces are stated to be only 20 miles from this important town. A third advance has been made west of Rostov, and in the North Caucasus Russian forces are within 20 miles of the Black Sea naval base of Novorossisk. Fighting in the Donbas is still sticky around the region centred on Stalino, but the Red Army launched a new attack from Kramatorskaya, down the railway to Stalino and Mariupol. Russian troops made new progress in their drive south-west from Voroshilograd, but are contained by furious resistance south of Krasnoarmeiskaya, where the Germans have placed their main strength to keep the 60-mile gap to the Sea of Azov open."

GERMAN CLAIM

LONDON, Tuesday — "North of the Don mouth and in the Donetz area the Russians, after extensive regrouping, are again attacking the deeply staggered German positions," said the German News Agency to-night. "At the focal points of their massed attacks," the Agency added, "very heavy fighting continued throughout the day." All attempts to break through were frustrated, as were efforts to make a frontal breakthrough or to manœuvre on our flanks in the Kharkov and Kursk areas.—(Reuter.)

Strong German counter-attacks have stopped the Soviet advances towards the Dnieper and Mariupol, the Military Correspondent of the German News Agency claimed.

"German forces advanced from the Dnieper bend against the head of the Soviet wedge towards Dniepropetrovsk and Zaporozhe, pushed it in, and drove the enemy back towards the north-east. No less heavy counter-attacks launched from around Krasnograd, penetrated deeply into the Russian right flank. Strong Soviet forces were cut off from their rear connections and annihilated."

He added that the impression was increasing that "this year's winter offensive by the Soviet has now passed its culminating point. The Soviets have nowhere succeeded in scoring a major breach. They will, undoubtedly, continue their large-scale attacks, but their hope of bringing about a decision in this war before the spring should prove an illusion."—(Reuter.)

Axis Report "Activity" at Gibraltar

GREAT shipping and air activity is reported from Gibraltar in a La Linea despatch quoted by German radio.

Two large convoys of 44 and 28 cargo ships respectively sailed in the direction of the Atlantic on Monday, the despatch states. Thirty-four medium-sized ships arrived in the Roadstead and cast anchor.

Aircraft were also seen to be constantly leaving or arriving at the airfield. Most of the departures took off towards the Mediterranean.—(Reuter.)

Jack Doyle Married in Dublin

Jack Doyle and Movita were married yesterday by the Rev. G. Turley, Adm., at St. Andrew's Church, Westland row, Dublin. Both gave their address on the marriage register as the Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin, Doyle being described as a bachelor and Movita as Maria Luisa Castaneda, spinster, of Arizona.

The ceremony, which was a very quiet one, was attended by Mr. Gerald Egan, Jack Doyle's manager, who gave away Movita; Mr. P. J. Lundon, who was best man, and Miss Molly Alder, of Dublin, bridesmaid. By the time the ceremony was over quite a crowd had gathered, and Doyle and Movita were surrounded by sightseers as they made their way to a motor car, which brought them back to the Royal Hibernian Hotel, where they will remain for the present.

Mr. Gerald Egan told an *Irish Times* woman reporter: "In January, 1939, Jack Doyle, the Irish boxer-singer, and Movita, film star, were married in Mexico, in the house of a retired Catholic priest, who was without a parish. But as this was not a valid marriage in the eyes of the Church, both parties were quite free to contract their marriage here."

Movita said: "It has always been my husband's ambition to have an Irish wedding."

When the *Irish Times* woman reporter inquired, somewhat diffidently, whether she should describe the ceremony as a marriage or a remarriage, Movita said: "This is our wedding day."

Irishman's Silent Wood-Soled Shoes

CLATTER-PROOF wooden soles and heels for boots, shoes and sandals are the latest devices evolved by a young Irish inventor to save the use of leather in footwear.

Mr. Thomas Whelan, of 4 Seafort Villas, Sandymount, the inventor, has already taken out provisional patents and is trying to interest Irish manufacturers in his idea.

For the heavier types of footwear Mr. Whelan has fashioned a plain sole of beechwood or other hardwood. For the finer shoes and sandals the sole is split or broken in the middle so that it can spring with the foot. The soles are attached to leather insoles by screws, and when the wooden sole wears out it can be screwed off easily and a new sole fitted. To avoid the clatter made by a rigid sole Mr. Whelan has inlaid strips of lead in the sole. This is attached by heel sprigs and as the sole wears down the sprigs and lead go down with it. He also has an idea for inlaying round pieces of rubber in the soles and heels for the same purpose.

DENTAL HOSPITAL MEETING

At the Annual Meeting of the Dental Hospital — Dr. T. P. Kirkpatrick, Mr. C. N. Ferrall, Dr. G. P. Moore (hon. secretary), Mr. H. J. Monaghan (chairman), Mr. D. L. Rogers (Dean) and Mr. R. S. Stokes (vice-chairman).

SECOND FRONT APPEAL

A CALL by Lord Beaverbrook, in the House of Lords yesterday, for the opening of a second front now—"the supreme chance"—brought a rebuke from the Earl of Listowel on behalf of the Labour Peers.

Lord Beaverbrook, after referring to the great Russian offensive, said: "In 1942 how did Stalin rally his armies?—by persuading his tired people that the second front was the prospect of victory—that the second front was not far off. Stalin has sent us two messages, the second this morning in his Order of the Day. What is the answer to be?

"Whatever may be the plans of the Germans, we should strike now before the Germans can regroup their divisions . . . before the Germans recover from the Russian offensive. We must strike the Germans first and then turn to Japan with speed and energy. Since time is the first consideration it seems to me that we must now invade north-western Europe. We must invade in the Mediterranean, too, but certainly from a British base as well as an African base. Africa has many attractions as a base for an attack upon Europe, but Britain has far more advantages.

"FIGHT IN EUROPE"

"On account of the advantageous position of the Axis in North Africa let us fight in Europe. Here we have equal or better supply routes than the enemy, and airfields in Britain and air facilities, so that we can use air power to the greatest extent in developing our attack. The Dieppe model of attack won't do. It was an example of combined operations compromise. We want combined operations command. The German method in Crete offered a more favourable example of what can be done in attack by land, sea and air. The Germans lost 6,000 dead and 10,000 wounded, but there were 16,000 missing British soldiers. The Crete example was, therefore, the most admirable illustration of the sort of attack we should make in our attack against North-west Germany. Everything depends on time not being wasted. We cannot afford years or even months—at most a few months."

Viscount Trenchard, Marshal of the R.A.F., said that the subject was one on which it was very easy to work up a dangerous feeling in the country. "No Government can defend itself from this sort of attack. Neither in secret nor in public can this subject be debated, and it is time everybody knew it. I would ask Lord Beaverbrook to leave this subject alone."

"CATCH-PENNY"

Lord Strabolgi said: — "Our obvious strategy, as soon as we have the troops and munitions—and we must have them by this time—is to strike on the shortest lines of communication and where we will get the unanimous support of the local inhabitants."

The Lord Chancellor described the words "second front" as a misleading, catch-penny phrase, which seemed to suggest that Britain had never undertaken grievous operations of a second front nature. He hoped they would help to get rid of "mere slogans based on ill-informed clamour," and denounce "any influence which had the result of stoking up that clamour."

Lord Beaverbrook complained that the Lord Chancellor had held him up to ridicule or contempt, "which he has no right to do."

FUTILE

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.—President Roosevelt said to-day that "discussions about a second front were futile." No two people among his audience would agree as to what a second front was.

Questioned about an American newspaper article stating that Mr. Churchill and the President decided on a second front at their meeting in January, 1942, Mr. Roosevelt replied that they "did decide on a second front of sorts." When it came to the point it seemed best to start it at places called Algiers and Casablanca, which were the most feasible.—(Reuter.)

Gandhi: No Change

Mr. Gandhi's six doctors yesterday—the 14th day of the fast—reported that he "appears to be comfortable" after a night of broken sleep. Their communiqué said he "dozed off and on during the day." There was no appreciable change in his condition.

An Associated Press message from New Delhi this morning disclosed that an attempt to end Gandhi's fast by a compromise between the Viceroy and him had failed. The attempt was initiated by a number of Englishmen and Indians.

Bishop of Down's Ruling Upheld

The announcement that the Bench of Bishops of the Church of Ireland have confirmed the ruling of the Bishop of Down and Connor and Dromore, who refused to give permission to the President of the Methodist Church to preach at a special Service in Annalong Parish Church, of which his brother is rector, has been received with deep regret by advocates of church reunion in the North, says our Belfast Correspondent. They intend to raise the matter at the General Synod in order to secure a public pronouncement from the Archbishop and bishops.

The bare announcement that the ruling of the Bishop of Down has been confirmed, obviously is not enough to dispose of the problem. Members of the Church want to know whether the Bench of Bishops merely ruled that the Bishop of Down was within his rights in withholding permission, or whether they have laid down the principle that it was mandatory upon him to act as he did.

The late Primate D'Arcy and the late Bishop Grierson both encouraged the exchange of pulpits by the clergy of the Protestant Churches.

Residence Permits in the North

Some 20,000 applications for residence permits have been received by the Northern Ireland Ministry for Home Affairs. The police are now enforcing the Order which makes such permits necessary. The Order came into force on January 1, but there was a free period of six weeks.

Anti-"T.B." League and Red Cross

Since the meeting of the Irish National Anti-Tuberculosis League and the Irish Red Cross Society a week ago, little, so far as can be learned, has been done to bring the two organisations together.

Red Cross officials told an *Irish Times* reporter that, so far, the Society had done nothing, and would not do anything until the situation had been discussed at next Friday's meeting of the Central Council, when it will be one of the principal items on the agenda.

Bray Resident Drowned

Peter Paul Greer (50), single, of 6 Seapoint terrace, Bray, a clerk, employed by Bray Urban Council, was found drowned by Guard Thomas Long yesterday afternoon on the Dalkey side of Dun Laoghaire pier. His sister, Miss Kathleen Greer, reported him missing at 6 p.m. yesterday, stating that he had not been seen since 11 a.m. on the previous day, when he left work at the Bray Town Hall.

Domestic Service Conditions

A standard wage, regulation of working hours, and the provision of uniform were among the points raised by domestic workers at a meeting held in the Mansion House, Dublin, last night, called by the Irish Women Workers' Union to organise city domestic workers.

"We are not out to fight, but to co-operate," said Miss Louie Bennett, Secretary of the Union.

THE CHAIRMAN SPEAKS

Mr. R. J. Leonard (chairman) speaking at the Society of Electrical Engineers' Meeting in Jury's Hotel. Seated on left is Mr. M. J. O'Connor (secretary).

Orphanage Ablaze in Cavan

ABOUT eighty children in the Poor Clares girls' orphanage in Main street, Cavan, were trapped by a fire which broke out at two o'clock this morning and threatened to destroy the whole building. Many of the girls were able to get out of the building in safety, and others jumped from windows as flames enveloped it. There were conflicting rumours that about thirty girls were unaccounted for. About twelve of the girls are in the county hospital receiving treatment, some of them in a very serious condition.

CHILDREN TRAPPED

As soon as the fire was noticed the local fire brigade, with units of the Gardai, L.S.F. and L.D.F. turned out, and desperate attempts were made to break through to the children who were believed to be inside. The Dundalk brigade was called, and was on its way to the fire two hours later.

The ages of the girls in the orphanage ranged from four to eighteen years.

For a time it seemed as if adjoinings houses and shops were endangered, and they were evacuated, but at 5 a.m. it was reported that the flames showed signs of diminishing.

One of the worst features of the fire, according to witnesses, was the panic of the children when they awakened to find the orphanage roaring and crackling like a furnace.

Lost at Sea

Irish names among Merchant Navy losses, just published, include: Henry Black (21), 3rd engineer, 22 St. Ignatius road, Dramcondra, Dublin; Thomas G. Studley (49), surgeon, St. Teresa's, Baldoyle road, Sutton, Co. Dublin; John Sullivan (56), A.B., Union Hall, Consavoneen, Co. Cork; John Mulhall (59), fireman, 1 Sir John Rogerson avenue, Dublin; John Murphy (26), fireman and trimmer, Clonaghan; Cornelius Glavin (30), A.B., Cork Hill, Youghal; Godfrey A. S. W. Shaw (56), 1st radio officer, Putland road, Bray.

Northern Party Leadership

Unionist back benchers who have criticised Mr. Andrews's Government met yesterday, but no statement was issued. The Chief Whip informed them that the Prime Minister was unlikely to make a statement about the leadership of the party before Easter.

Germany replied to M. Stalin's statement on the German Army's broadcast last night by Berlin radio: Red Army casualties in 20 months, 18,200,000 men, including 12,800,000 killed and wounded, and 5,400,000 taken prisoner.

NEW BILLS NAMED IN NORTH

A BILL to strengthen the Civil Authorities' Special Powers Acts was one of the new measures to be introduced at Stormont, which were mentioned in the King's Speech, as read by the Governor, the Duke of Abercorn, at the opening of the new session of the Northern Ireland Parliament yesterday.

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Other bills will deal with the amendment of the law relating to workmen's compensation, with further provision for the protection, welfare and treatment of young offenders, and with proposals to alleviate the difficulties experienced by local authorities in carrying out essential improvements owing to the operation of the de-rating system.

The speech stated that the scheme under which certain persons who wish to reside in Northern Ireland for more than six weeks are required to be in possession of residence permits will be kept in operation for a reasonable time after the war, to facilitate the reinstatement in employment of demobilised men from Northern Ireland who joined the Forces as volunteers.

INDUSTRIES

Strenuous efforts, it was stated, had been made during the past year to adapt certain industries to the use of alternative raw materials and to new types of production, and considerable success had been achieved, particularly in branches of the textile industry.

The output of the shipbuilding, engineering and textile industries had steadily increased, and the growing demands for labour in these industries and in connection with an important and extensive series of works of reconstruction had resulted in a reduction in the number of the unemployed.

Other points dealt with were the provision of additional hospital and medical services, which would increase by 60 per cent. hospital accommodation in the area; a town and country planning scheme, and the importance of post-war educational reform.

The police were commended for their bearing in the face of grave outrages by elements striving to undermine the Constitution.

Last 'Bus 9.30 p.m. from Monday Next

The further curtailment of Dublin United Transport Company's 'bus services, all the important details of which already have been published in the *Irish Times*, were announced officially by the company yesterday morning. A reduction in the supply of engine fuel has caused the changes, which will come into operation on and after Monday next, March 1.

As stated on Thursday, February 18, last, 'buses from city centres on all routes will leave at 9.30 p.m.

The other curtailments—given in our advertising columns—include: less frequent 'buses on Saturdays; services operating only as on other week-days; reduced services throughout Sunday; shortening of 47, 47a, 49, 49a, 3, and 13 routes.

Owing to the paper shortage, booklet time-tables cannot be published for the present, but notices showing the curtailments will be published on vehicles and elsewhere as soon as possible, and may be inspected at the company's head offices, 59 Upper O'Connell street, as on and from to-morrow.

First American weapons for the French troops in Morocco were handed over yesterday by General Wilson at the joint march past of French and U.S. troops at Casablanca.—(Reuter.)

LONDON AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

CURTAILMENT OF 'BUS SERVICES

ON and after MONDAY NEXT 1st MARCH, the undermentioned curtailment of the Company's 'bus services will operate, as a result of the reduction in the supply of engine-fuel.

LAST 'BUSES FROM CITY CENTRE AT 9.30 P.M.

The last 'buses from the city centre on all routes will depart at 9.30 p.m.

NOTE: Last 'buses, in the case of services operating from outer points (Dun Laoghaire, Rathgar, Terenure), will be so timed as to enable passengers who leave the city centre at 9.30 p.m. to join them.

LESS FREQUENT 'BUSES ON SATURDAYS.

On Saturdays the services will operate only as on other week-days and will not be augmented.

LESS FREQUENT 'BUSES ON SUNDAY AFTERNOONS AND EVENINGS.

The services on Sundays will operate all day on the reduced scale on which heretofore they have operated up to 2 p.m.

47 and 47A SERVICES FROM RATHGAR ONLY.

The services on the 47 and 47A routes will operate from Whitechurch (or Tibweddin or Rockbrook) and Churchtown, respectively, to the junction of Highfield Road and Rathgar Road only.

49 and 49A SERVICES FROM TERENURE ONLY.

The services on the 49 and 49A routes will operate from Tallaght and Roberstbrenna, respectively, to the junction of Terenure and Rathfarnham Roads only.

ROUTES 3 and 13 CURTAILED.

The services on routes 3 and 13 will operate from Sandymount Tower and Beechwood Avenue, respectively, to Nelson Pillar only.

TIMETABLES

Timetable notices showing the curtailment will be published on the vehicles and elsewhere as soon as possible, and may be inspected at the Company's Head Office, 59 Upper O'Connell Street, on and from TO-DAY (Wednesday), 24th instant.

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The Limerick Rugby Surprise

By Our Rugby Football Correspondent.

TAKING everything into consideration, the most surprising result of the season was Munster's win over Leinster, at Limerick, on Saturday.

Leinster had previously won four interprovincial matches—two against Ulster and two against Connaught. Not all these performances had been convincing—the second victory over Connaught at Galway was extremely lucky—but not until the last match against Ulster had the back division been at anything like full strength. Various reasons had kept Carry, the two Quinns, O'Flanagan, and Chamberlain off the team at various times, and while N. Taylor proved a discovery to replace either of the wings, the reserve strength for the mid-field players was not up to the same standard. It can be admitted that Ulster have a weak team at present, but, despite the absence of a couple of the leading forwards at Limerick, it was felt that the Leinster backs would be able to make sufficient opportunities themselves to pull off another victory.

What actually happened was the reverse of all expectations. The Leinster forwards got at least as much, if not more, of the ball than their opponents in the tight, despite the fact that Munster, with the best hooker in the country in C. Teehan, were regarded as likely to hold an advantage there. In the loose, Munster were quicker on the ball and had more life in their play, but the Leinster pack, in a quiet way, did a fair amount of useful work.

On a dry ground and with little breeze, the Leinster backs had everything in their favour, and if the ball hung in the scrums at times it came back frequently all the same, yet Thompson gave very few good passes to Carry, the latter could not hold the difficult ones, which is usually his strong point, and failed altogether to get his three-quarter line moving smoothly. The Quinns, up against two centres who tackled them immediately they got the ball from orthodox passing movements, could devise nothing to out-wit the opposition, and, like Carry, developed the habit of looking up at the approaching tackler before making sure of taking the pass. In consequence of this the wings never had an opening to go for the line, but when they did get the ball they never threatened danger.

More blame for the defeat must, therefore, be laid at the door of the backs rather than the forwards, and, conversely, the chief credit for Munster's win must go to the out-half and three-quarters. The Munster passing was much crisper, more accurate, and more progressive than Leinster's movements. O'Brien was more enterprising at out-half than Carry, and Curtin, the Army centre, went through the opposing defence on two or three occasions with such powerful straight bursts that at least one try should have resulted from his efforts. Berrens has always been a resourceful player in any of the positions he has filled among the backs, and either in attack or defence it was his match on Saturday.

It appears that for this match, Munster's only interprovincial of the season, it was decided to consider only men actually taking part in Munster football. That would be a policy with which no one could quarrel if there were young, untried players of promise who would benefit by the experience, but instead of Des Lacy for scrum-half and S. D. Walsh in the centre, we found a veteran in E. Murphy at the base of the scrum, and C. O'Driscoll, a centre who has played many times in the past, without particular success. With the Munster backs in such good form, de Lacy's accurate passes might have resulted in quite a heavy Leinster defeat; Walsh has had some poor games lately, but he can be the most dangerous centre in the country. I think Leinster were fortunate to find these two men absent on Saturday.

Next Saturday the last representative game of the season will take place at Lansdowne road, a Combined Leinster-Connaught XV. opposing Ulster-Munster. The latter team was chosen three weeks ago after the Ireland v. Army match in Belfast; it is a pity that the selections could not have been made after Saturday's game at Limerick, for in that case we might have seen Curtin in the centre for Ulster-Munster and de Lacy at scrum-half for Leinster-Connaught. If the object of the match is to provide the brightest possible Rugby, proportional representation should take a back seat.

SENIOR SCHOOLS CUP

NEWBRIDGE... 15 TERENURE..... 3

Two matches in the first round of Section A of the Senior Schools' Cup were played at Donnybrook yesterday. In the first Dominican College, Newbridge, defeated Terenure College by 1 penalty goal and 4 tries to 1 penalty goal. Much the heavier side, and with good, strong-running backs, Newbridge were on top throughout the game. In the first-half Pericho and Lawler scored tries, and Finegan kicked a penalty goal, while Browne landed a penalty goal for Terenure. After a quarter of an hour in the second half O'Reilly started a nice passing movement which, joined in by Finegan, was rounded off by Lawler scoring a try. Later, after a round of passing, O'Reilly crossed for a try, the kick at goal again being missed.

BLACKROCK... 19 CLONGOWES... 3

T. Burke, wing three-quarter, played a big part in the easy win of Blackrock College over Clongowes Wood College. Blackrock won by 2 goals, 1 penalty goal and 2 tries to 1 try. In the first half Clongowes put up a good fight, and with luck might have led at the interval. After Burke had scored a try for Blackrock, Hillary, the Clongowes centre, picked the ball up at half-way, and raced right in under the posts. The goal kick was missed, and just on half-time Burke put Blackrock ahead by kicking a penalty goal. The second half was well advanced before a clever Blackrock passing move saw Burke cross for a try, and shortly afterwards he scored two further tries, both of which were converted.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES

Hospitals' Cup Semi-final—St. Vincent's v. Mater, Belfield, 3.30.

Club Matches—Dublin University v. Lansdowne, College Park, 4.30; Wanderers v. Bective, Lansdowne road, 3.45; High School O.B.U. v. King's Hospital O.B.U., Belgrave square, 4.15.

TEAMS.

St. Vincent's — L. McEntee; K. O'Flanagan, C. Nolan, B. Mullen, W. Dillon; J. O'Riordan, J. McMullen; M. Byrne, D. Herlihy, J. Norris, P. Sullivan, D. Meagher, A. O'Meara, J. Flood, P. Horan.

Mater—P. Keenan; S. Lyons, B. Flannagan, B. O'Sullivan, L. Carroll; P. O'Donnell, T. Ryan; J. Fogerty, E. Hay, D. Ryan, H. Dolan, B. Holohan, E. Spellman (capt.), G. O'Doherty, J. Mayne.

Dublin University—A. S. O'Connor; G. Mitchell, D. O'R. Mayne, S. D. Walsh, F. Marshall; K. McIntyre, H. de Lacy; W. J. Morgan, N. Parkes, S. Barnes, J. A. Bradfield, S. N. Rutherford, R. G. Harrison, B. B. Boland, R. D. Moore.

Wanderers—A. Player; Craig, Fox, Robertson, Wilson; Collins, Barnwell; T. Horan, Satchwell, Parr, Owen, Martin, Seidon, Gottimore, Another.

High School O.B.U.—Abbott; Tyrrell, Griffin, Potts, McDonald; Booker, Bennett; Roberts, Rooney, Priestman, Beattie, Shell, Frith (capt.), Mulroney, A. Player.

Transport Prospects

THEY were very much alarmed by the prospects concerning fuel, petrol and parts, said the Right Hon. James MacMahon, presiding at the annual meeting of the Dublin United Transport Company yesterday.

During 1942 the company carried 153 million passengers, collected £1,286,874 in fares, and spent £1,028,194, including profision for depreciation and fixed charges. An increased dividend of 6 per cent. on Ordinary stock, less tax, was declared.

The Chairman said that fuel oil alone, on which their existence depended, cost 100 per cent. more than it did at the beginning of the war, while taxation obliged them to anticipate a sum of £192,300 to meet that liability this year. The company, as a matter of policy, was maintaining a large number of men for whom no work was available, he said, and had joined with the staff in procuring the Bonus Order which would cost £24,000 per year. They also had built and equipped a social club in Earl place, and were setting aside £25,000 again towards the employees' pension fund.

The fact that the company had to pay way-leave charges on rotter no longer operative, and also road licences on the buses which ran over them, was described by Mr. F. McGaurran as a disgrace.

A suggestion by Mr. Flynn, that, having regard to the many rumours of misappropriation of funds and stock, and the stories being told about court proceedings, it might not be a bad idea if the company set a headline to other public companies by employing a public stocktaker. The services of such an official would not, he knew, be required by the company, but it would set a headline which might be followed.

Drawing attention to the fact that they had the services of the Auditor of the highest standing, the chairman observed that, if their neighbours required a public stocktaker, it would not be for the Transport Company to introduce him. They were the only carrying company in the British Isles, he added, which had not increased its fares since the emergency began, and had this year paid an increased dividend.

Mr. J. McCann, the retiring director, was unanimously re-elected.

IRISH EXCHEQUER

The Exchequer return for the period April 1st, 1942, to February 20th, 1943, shows that revenue has risen by £2,291,445 to £54,922,689. Expenditure has increased by £1,181,954 to £55,629,359.

The balance in the Exchequer on February 20th, 1943, was £5,515,934, compared with £8,966,039 a year ago and £2,594,575 on April 1st, 1942.

TUDOR LADIES' CHOIR

The Tudor Ladies' Choir gave a delightful programme of part-singing at their concert in the Leinster Hall, Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin, last night. Their selections ranged over a wide field, from the Madrigalists—Weelkes and Byrd—to modern composers like Thiman and Rowley, and in all spheres, whether it was the quiet, contemplative mood of Elgar's "How Calmly the Evening," the devout air of "How Lovely are Thy Dwellings," from Brahms's Requiem, or the tripping measures of "The Fairies" from Sanford, they were equally at their ease. The parts were nicely balanced, the blend good and the tone colour artistically controlled, and always reflecting the mood of the poem.

Also in the programme figured Ida Starkie O'Reilly, who played admirably some 'cello solos, including the Sonata in G of Sommartini. Robert McCullagh gave great pleasure to a big audience with his singing of a well-chosen group.

Dorothy Stokes showed her accustomed efficiency as accompanist.

G.N.R. Report Adopted After Protest

ANNOYED by the one and a half per cent. dividend declared for 1942, Great Northern Railway shareholders, at the company's annual meeting in Dublin yesterday, made a "token" rejection of the annual report by a large majority and later adopted it. Senator McLoughlin, Armagh, who initiated the opposition, said that as he had won his point by making clear the shareholders' feelings, he was agreeable to the report's adoption.

"In the past two years," said Lord Glenavy, "your directors have squeezed every halfpenny out of income which could be paid to the shareholders in dividends. The only way in which these dividends can be made higher is by neglecting to pay debts incurred through earning the profits that are being distributed. Your directors feel that debts incurred in earning profits should be met out of those profits."

The company, he said, was contemplating making an application for increased freightage rates, but they would have to await the conclusion of certain developments to see whether the application was likely to be approved by the authorities.

Whether the railway companies be added, had a future or not depended very largely upon public opinion. I do not think that railway shareholders as a body have yet realised what a powerful movement they could be in influencing public and Government opinion in favour of railways.

They had had numbers of conferences and meetings with the Government about this matter, but they had not yet produced any definite plan.

Gross receipts of £2,610,517 showed an increase of £408,636 on 1941. Expenditure at £1,972,308 (an increase of £370,520) was due mainly to locomotive fuel, salaries and wages, which together accounted for £263,649, or 72 per cent. of the total increase.

Continuing, Lord Glenavy said: Proprietors who wish to see the Great Northern survive, and to continue their association with it, will recognise that it is precisely now, in the year of highest income, that they have the opportunity, if not of adding materially to their resources, at least of preserving them against what the future may bring. Against exceptional war-time earnings must be set exceptional war-time liabilities. An essential fund which covers the whole of our present financial position is that the company has not been able to reserve any funds at all for emergencies. If there are emergencies requiring cash to meet, it is only such money as is held in a liquid form to the credit of the depreciation funds that can be utilised to meet them.

Senator McLoughlin (Armagh), proposing that the accounts be referred back with a view to considering payment of an increased dividend, said that he did so principally because of the huge amounts being set aside each year for depreciation account. Since 1938, sums totalling £242,000, had been paid into this account—equal to almost 4½ per cent. on their charges—yet the directors professed to be unable to pay more than 1½ per cent. Although the original cost of their rolling stock, plant and machinery was £1,469,112, the total amount of depreciation and other reserves to which they now stood at the huge figure of £1,740,753. The sum payable for income tax on the amount placed to the depreciation account would roughly amount to £50,000, yet the Ordinary shareholders must be content with a dividend totalling £60,760, out of which income tax was to be deducted.

Mr. Fred Storey, secretary, G.N.R. Shareholders' Protection Association, seconding, said that the strength of the position disclosed by analysis of the accounts entitled the Ordinary stockholders to a 5 per cent. dividend.

Mr. D. Curran Newcastle, Co. Down, appealed to the stockholders in their own interests to support the Board and not allow themselves to be influenced by "the coterie from the North and their few supporters."

Miss Agnes Boyd, Newry, said that the number of directors should be reduced and their salaries halved.

Mrs. M. Morris, Derry, asked how could a railway system prosper in a country unnaturally divided into six and twenty-six counties.

London Stocks Marked Down

A DOWNWARD trend set in on the London Stock Exchange yesterday, when buyers held off and prices were marked down in nearly all sections. British Railways continued weak as a result of profit-taking. Great Western dropped 1¼ to 57¾, L.M.S. closed ¼ to 29, Southern Defd. and Prefd. ¼ each to 21¼ and 74½, respectively, while Transport "C" lost ½ to 54.

Gilt-edged Securities were dull, War Loan losing ⅛ and Locals ⅛.

The trend in the Industrial market was to lower levels. Courtaulds were steady at 48/4½, and in the Stores group Woolworth, Marks and Spencer and Great Universals were firm, but there were a couple of recessions in the Brewery group, Guinness losing 1/- at 120/9. Distillers also eased, Bleachers, British Celanese, Coats and Fine Spinners were among the lower Textiles, while in other directions "Batt" fell 7½d., Dunlop Rubber 3d. to 24/6, Harland and Wolff 3d. to 15/9, and P. and O. Def. 3d. to 31/7½. Motor shares also declined.

Although there was a small decline in Kaffirs, Union Budget estimates were beginning to cause a more cheerful outlook.

Oils opened with a firmer appearance, but were not strong enough to resist the influence of the other sections of the market. Anglo-Iranian fell 1/3 to 85/3 and Burmah a similar amount to 58/1½.

The full report of the Great Western Railway for the year 1942 confirms the net revenue of £6,932,946, compared with £6,931,767, and the payment of a dividend on the Ord. stock of £2 10/- p.c., making £4 p.c. for the year, leaving £265,938 to be carried forward. The report adds that the British Government have issued a White Paper outlining proposals for future legislation to provide for payments in respect of war damage to, and contributions from, public utility undertakings, including railway undertakings. It is understood that such contributions will not exceed 50 p.c. of the amount of the damage. Until the bill is introduced into Parliament it is not practicable to give any detailed information of the complete scheme.

Following the good results announced by Hawker Siddeley, Limited, John Bayliss and Co. now announce that the net profit for the year ended January 31 last amounts to £346,056, compared with £253,748 in the previous year. The Ord. dividend is maintained at 10 p.c., £75,000 is placed to reserve for general purposes (against £35,000), and £10,000 to employees' pension and benevolent fund (the same) while £235,512 is carried forward (against £207,264). These results are considered very satisfactory.

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DUBLIN FRUIT AND VEGETABLE. —York cabbage, large 4d.- to 5d.-, small 12/- to 26/-, Savoy, large 15/- to 55/-, small 15/- to 31/- load; swedes 5/6 to 6/6 per cwt.; cauliflowers 3/6 to 6/- dozen; 1/- to 2/-; lettuce, indoor 1/6 to 5/-, outdoor 6d. to 1/6 doz.; beet 1/- to 1/6, rhubarb 2/6 to 5/-, carrots 2/- to 3/-, doz. bundles 8/- to 12/- bag; parsnips 6/- to 8/-, spinach 2/- to 3/-, onions 8/- to 17/6 chip, 100/- to 120/- bag; celery 8/- to 13/-, kale 6d. to 8d., turnips 6d. to 8d., scallions 1/6 to 3/-, leeks 4d. to 1/6 bunch, mushrooms 2/- to 3/- to 4/- bag; apples, cooking 2/- to 5/6 stone; sprouts 1/6 to 3/-, and artichokes 2/- to 2/6 chip.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

DUBLIN HAY AND STRAW.—Hay supplies moderate; values generally firmer at: Best quality 11/6 to 12/6, secondary 10/- to 11/-; strong old meadow 8/6 to 9/6, softer 7/- to 8/-, and straw 3/6 to 3/9; choice oaten 4/- to 4/3, per cwt.

Guinness Units Give Way

TRADING was at a low ebb on the Dublin Stock Exchange yesterday, and some liquidation caused a downward trend in prices.

Guinness Units were all sellers, and fell 1s. 6d. to 120s. 6d. The interim dividend announcement is due shortly.

Rails were still dull, and Great Northern relapsed two points to 40. Great Southern Ord. recovered three points to 13, but the Gtd. lost 2½ points at 35½.

Among Home Funds, Agreement Loan was lowered 15/- to 110, and 4½ per cent. Land Bonds shaded off to 116½. 3½ per cent. War Loan held steady, but Dublin Port and Docks 4 per cent. dropped a point to 106.

Banks enjoyed quiet support, and Hibernians added pence at 48/6, while National improved to 46/9. Alliance Gas Ord. rose to 19/6 in a small way.

Todd, Burns Ord. gave way to 13/6, but the Pref jumped 2/6 to 90/-. Irish Amer. Oil Pref. declined 2/6, and Cement Ord. to 39/6. Irish Cinema Ord. shaded off to 3/9, and *Irish Times* 2nd Pref. eased to 17/6.

Courtaulds fell 1/- to 48/-, and Coats Ord. quoted 42/-. Imperial Tobacco Ord. advanced 1/- to 150/-.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

(*) Odd lot. (a) Asked. (b) Bid.
(Previous prices in brackets.)

GOVERNMENT FUNDS. — 5 p.c. Second Nat. Loan (118), 118; do. (under £200) (118), 118; 3½ p.c. Financial Agreement (110⅝), 110; 4½ p.c. Land Bonds (117), *116⅞; do. New (114¾), 114⅝; do. (under £200) (114½), 114⅛; 4 p.c. Land Bonds (109), 108⅞; 3½ p.c. Undertakings, including railway undertakings, not to exceed 50 p.c. of the amount of the damage. Until the bill is introduced into Parliament it is not practicable to give any detailed information of the complete scheme.

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DUBLIN FRUIT AND VEGETABLE. —York cabbage, large 4d.- to 5d.-, small 12/- to 26/-, Savoy, large 15/- to 55/-, small 15/- to 31/- load; swedes 5/6 to 6/6 per cwt.; cauliflowers 3/6 to 6/- dozen; 1/- to 2/-; lettuce, indoor 1/6 to 5/-, outdoor 6d. to 1/6 doz.; beet 1/- to 1/6, rhubarb 2/6 to 5/-, carrots 2/- to 3/- doz. bundles 8/- to 12/- bag; parsnips 6/- to 8/-, spinach 2/- to 3/-, onions 8/- to 17/6 chip, 100/- to 120/- bag; celery 8/- to 13/-, kale 6d. to 8d., turnips 6d. to 8d., scallions 1/6 to 3/-, leeks 4d. to 1/6 bunch, mushrooms 2/- to 3/- to 4/- bag; apples, cooking 2/- to 5/6 stone; sprouts 1/6 to 3/-, and artichokes 2/- to 2/6 chip.

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MARY'S LANE, GEORGE'S HILL, DUBLIN (Advt.)

MISCELLANEOUS.

DUBLIN HAY AND STRAW.—Hay supplies moderate; values generally firmer at: Best quality 11/6 to 12/6, secondary 10/- to 11/-; strong old meadow 8/6 to 9/6, softer 7/- to 8/-, and straw 3/6 to 3/9; choice oaten 4/- to 4/3, per cwt.

LONDON CLOSING PRICES

* Ex Dividend. † Ex Rights. ‡ Ex Bonus.

BRITISH FUNDS.

Consols 2½	32⅝	32⅝	−⅛	3½ Conversion	105½	105¼	
Do. 4%	111⅝	111¾		5% Conversion	108½	104⅛	
3½% War Loan	105⅜	105⅜	−⅛	2½ Land	91	93	
3% War Loan	115⅛	115⅛		U.S.A. 4½% Land	115	118	
Funding Loan	115⅛	115⅜		Local Loans	97¼	97½	−⅛
Victory Bonds	115	114¾		Nat. Def. 2½	100¾	101¼	
3% Conversion	102¼	103¼					

BONDS—RAILS—BANKS.

Brazil 20-Yr. A	77	+1	Sth. Def. Ord.	21½*	−¼	B.A. & Western	11
Do. 40-Yr. B	61	+1	Do. 5% Pref.	119½*		Do. 4% Deb	59
Gt. Western	57¾*	−1¼	Arg. Gt. W. 5%			Canadian Pac.	14½ +⅛
L.M.S. Ord.	29	−¼	Deb.	80		C. Arg. 4% Deb	42
Do. 4% Pref.	26	−½	B.A. Mid. 4%			Do. 5% Deb.	
Do. 5% Rd. P	104⅛		Deb.	59½		1926-27	98
Do. 4% Pf. '23	61*	−½	B.A. Gt. Sth.	10¾		Bank of Eng.	360¼
L.N.E. Pf. Ord.	9¾		Do. 4% Deb	57		Barclay's A	36/6
Do. Def.	2¾		B.A. Pac.			Lloyd's	59/6
Do. 1st Pref.	61*		4% Deb.	77		Midland	70
Do. 2nd Pref.	31*		Do. Con. 44%			Westminster	71/6
Sth. Pref. Ord.	14½*	−¼	Deb.	49		Do. 5% £1 pd	39/6

INDUSTRIALS.

Austin (5/-)	20/3	−0/3	Courtaulds	48/4½		Dunlop Rubber	53/3
Bleach. Cement	37/6		Charrans B	44/0		Morris	38/9 −0/3
Babcock & W.	50/3	−0/3	Dorman L.	25/6		Murex	103/0 −1/3
Brown (J.)	29/0		Dunlop	24/6	−0/3	Marks & S.	45/6 +0/1½
B.S.A.	2/6	−0/3	Distillers	85/0	−0/3	P. & O. Def.	31/7½ −0/3
Benchairs	24/4½	−0/3	Elec. & Mus.	23/0	−0/3	Rolls Royce	107/6
Brad. Dyers.	15/0		English Cotton	35/0		S.A. Breweries	119/6 −0/6
Brit. Celanese	16/0	−0/1½	Ever Ready	36/6		Stewart & L.	54/0
B.A. Tobacco	95/4½	−0/7½	Ford	31/0	−0/3	Sudan Plants	39/6
Beechams	36/6		Fine Spinners	15/10½	−0/3	Thomas (R.)	8/6
Do. Defd.	12/0		Gallaher	2⅝		Tob. Secs. T.	72/6
Boots Drug	72/6		Guinness	120/6	−1/0	Tate & Lyle	67/3
Bovril Trac.	32¼		Gen. Electric	80/3		Triplex	30/9 ⅛ −0/4½
Brit. Alum.	50/0		Harrods	46/6*		Tube Invest.	92/6 −0/6
Brit. Pistr. Bd	27/0		Hudson's Bay	38/0		Turner & N.	76/4½
Brit. Plaster	42/6		Hawker Sid.	49/0		United Steel	25/0*
Bass	100/0		Harland & W.	15/9	−0/3	Utd. Molasses	20/1½
Brit. Insulated	103/9		Imp. Tobacco	77⅞		Vickers	19/10½
Coast Lines	13/3		Imp. Chemical	30/0	−0/3	Wall Paper	11/4½
Cah. & W. Ord.	7⅝		Int. Nickel	51¼	+⅛	White Tomkins	42/6
Calico Print	11/9		Lever	76/0		Wesleyan	76/0*
Coats	42/-	−1½ −0/6	Lever	34/6		Woolworth	38/9
Conard	21/7½		Metro. V.	22/9	+0/6		

MINES.

Ashanti	49/4½	+0/7½	Libanon	11/0	−0/3	Anglo Iranian	85/3 −1/3
Bibiani	10/0	−0/3	Lainsdale	2/6		Attock	40/0
Blyvoor	47/3	−0/3	Marievale	23/9	+0/3	Burmah	58/1⅛ −1/3
Brakpan	23/0		Nchanga	12/9	−0/3	Can. Eagle	10/0 −0/3
Chartered	35/0		Rhod. Anglo A	12/6	−0/3	Mex. Eagle	9/10½ −0/3
Cons. Afr. Sel	19/6		Rhodesian Sel	17/0		Shell	85/0 −0/7½
Cons. G.F.	39/4½	−0/7½	Rhokana	7⅛		Trin. Leaseholds	11/3 −0/7½
Crown	8/3		Rio Tinto	12½		Do. Pet. Def	70/0 −0/7½
Daggafontein	35/0		Selec. Trust	17/6	−0/3	Anglo-Dutch	13/9
De Beers	12⅛		S.A. Land	75/0		Abdela-Mitch.	18/7½
Durban Deep	80/0		Venterspost	26/7½		Highlands	11/3
East Geduld	6/7		Victoria Falls	19/0		Kuala Lumpur	12/6
E. Rand Pro	36/3		Vourle's bull	25/7½		Malacca	3/9
Geduld	3/4		West Holding	18/0	+0/3	Malayalam	32/6 −0/6
Govt. Areas	35/7½		West Reefs	42/0	+0/3	Rubber Trust	16/0
Luipaard's Vlei	4/3		West Wits	27/6		Sua Betong	24/6
Langlaagte	6/6		Western Areas	67/-		Tanjong	42/6

Strong Team at Kildangan

By Our Curragh Correspondent.

There is a smaller team than usual at Kildangan, due to the facts that Mr. James McVey, junior, is setting up a private training establishment near Dublin, and that P. Beary is training all Lord Glentoran's horses privately at New Abbey, with the exception of one two-year-old. Still, the team is quite a strong one.

Of the two-year-olds, easily the most outstanding is the trainer's own bay filly by Bois Roussel out of The Pen. She is a filly of great possibility. Her dam won the Cambridgeshire and nearly £4,000 in stakes, and bred The Lass, who had the distinction last spring, when still cheery, of "stealing" Hairdo's greatly fancied Ribbon and Belle Amour on her first appearance in public.

Sir Percy Loraine owns a nice racing-like colt in Ekyad, who is a bay, by Easton out of Axle, and is the second foal of his dam. Axle, when in training at Kildangan, won six races for Sir Percy, and finished second to Smokeless in the Irish 1,000 Guineas. Vailima is also a nice racing-like filly, belonging to the same owner. She is by Mieuxce out of Silvia, who dead-heated with Rustom Pasha in the Chesham Stakes at Ascot for two-year-olds.

Sir Harold Gray's best property is probably Welcome Home, by Felicitation out of Welcome Lass, who won the Waterford Testimonial Stakes. Mr. S. R. Lignell, a newcomer to the ranks of owners, has a half-share interest with Mr. More O'Ferrall, in a filly colt by Wychwood Abbot out of Scarlet River.

HORSES IN TRAINING.

Four-year-olds and upwards.

Antrim, br. h., 6 yrs., by Trimdon—Annabel.

George Dandin, b. g., 9 yrs., by Sansonnet—Simonette.

Taffytrap, ch. g., 6 yrs., by Caerleon—La Souricière.

Three-year-olds.

Airy Prince, ch. c., by Prince Rose—Fairy Kiss.

Merenptah, b. c., by Rameses the Second—Lucky Girl.

Safari, b. f., by Bahram—Solerina.

S.D.N., b. f., by Cecil—South Sea Bubble.

Wykehamist, gr. c., by Wychwood Abbot—Blue Mermaid.

Two-year-olds.

Ekyad, b. c., by Easton—Axle.

Murmansk, br. g., by Mieuxce—Yasna.

Water Snake, ch. f., by Sea Serpent—Magnanimous.

Chestnut colt by Berwick—Athmore.

Welcome Home, b. c., by Felicitation—Sea Mark.

Vailima, br. f., by Mieuxce—Silvia.

Bay filly by Bois Roussel—The Pen.

Chestnut colt by Wychwood Abbot—Scarlet River.

Owners—The Right Hon. Sir Percy Loraine, Bart., D.C.L., G.B.E., M.C., Harold Gray, Mr. T. J. S. Gray, the Right Hon Lord Glentoran, D.L., P.L.L., C. G. Reid-Walker, M.P., S. P. Morrison, Mr. R. Lignell, and Mr. R. More O'Ferrall.

Jockey—E. M. Quirke. (8st 7lb.).

Apprentice—A. Wing (7st.).

GOLF CLUB NOTICES

Grange.—Fourball—T. Ryan (14) and F. J. McEvoy (20) 6 up. Saturday next—Annual general meeting in Club House at 7 p.m.

Hermitage.—Ladies' Branch—Officers for 1943: Captain, Miss Hannon; hon. secretary, Mrs. Doyle; handicap secretary, Mrs. Hannon.

Rathfarnham.—Saturday next—Medal, 18 holes v. bogey; may be played in fours.

Carrickmines.—Saturday next—Sweep stake (Eclectic.)

Bray.—Owing to the death of Mr. W. Allen, the links will be closed on Wednesday until 2 p.m. Saturday—Medal, bogey, 18 holes. Ladies—February Medal—Mrs. Elliott, qualified—Miss B. Coughlan. Monday next—March medal, stroke; arrange opponents. Committee meeting 5.15 p.m.

Dun Laoghaire.—Owing to the death of Mr. P. J. Duffy, an ex-captain of the club, the course will be closed to-day.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

To-day—Meath, Trim, 12.0 noon; Nenagh, Toomevara, 12.30 p.m.; Mid Antrim, Ahoghill, 12.30 p.m.; Strabane, Gallow Gate, 1.0 p.m.; Louth, Rathmange, 11.0 a.m.; Naas Two-Mile-House Church, 1.0 p.m.; Duhallow, Stephen Place, 11.30 a.m.; Tipperary and Kilshane, Turtulla, 12.0 noon.

To-morrow—Clare, Lisdoo, 1.0 p.m.; North Mayo, Crossmolina, 12.30 p.m.; South Mayo, Claggan Cross, 12 noon; Camolin, 11.0 a.m.; Bree, Dranagh, 11.30 a.m.; Tara, Kilcairne, 11.30 a.m.; Kilfiltarn and Old Rock, Killead, 12.0 noon; Littlegrange, Harbourstown, 1.0 p.m.; Roscommon, Lecarrow, 1.0 p.m.; Kilkenny, Kilfane Cross-roads, 11.30 a.m.; Tipperary, New Inn, 13.0 noon.

To-day's Soccer.—Collingwood Cup—Dublin University v. U.C.D., Seaford road, 3.0.

Dublin University—Beatty; McCormick, Sweetman; Sayers, Connolly (capt.), McDonald; Isaacson, McGrath, Quinn, Welch; Armstrong. Reserves—Albin, Abraham.

Boxing and Entering.—In the Dublin Circuit Criminal Court at Green street yesterday, Judge Davitt put back for sentence until Friday Hubert Kiernan, aged 20 no-business, Mount Drummond avenue, Harold's Cross, and Joseph Sweeney, aged 23, a native of Dublin and a private in the army, when they were found guilty by the jury on a charge of having, on the night of October 11, broken and entered the premises of Messrs. Browne and Nolan, Nassau street, and stolen therefrom property to the value of about £1 16/-.

COLD EVENING NOT TO RUN AT CLONMEL

Wiring from Clonmel last night, Master McGrath stated that cold Evening, last season's winner of the Oaks, who would have been strongly fancied for the International Cup at Powerstown Park, Clonmel, to-morrow (Thursday), for which the only nominations are Mr. M. J. Mulhall, will not run. She was recently purchased by Mr. Probert for, it was announced, 1,000 gns. Since her arrival at her new kennels in Dublin she has not been quite herself, never settling down to her surroundings, and in the circumstance Mr. Probert, on consultation with Mr. Mulhall, resolved that it would be better not to send her to Clipe. There are no other notable withdrawals from either the Derby, Oaks or Cup, and Clonmel is packed out, and the prospects for the national meeting never were better.

THE WATERLOO CUP

There was a sensation when, in the draw for the Waterloo Cup, the coursing classic, which begins at Altcar to-day, it was seen that Swinging Light and Jealous Retort, two of the most heavily backed dogs in the stake, meet in the first round. Next in the draw came Dew Prince. He should not have much diffic

COMPANY MEETING.

IMPERIAL TOBACCO COMPANY

THE 41st annual general meeting of the Imperial Tobacco Company (of Great Britain and Ireland), Ltd., was held yesterday at Bristol. Lord Dulverton, chairman of directors, presided.

In the statement which had been issued for the convenience of stockholders in place of the customary speech, and which was taken as read, the Chairman said:—

Before dealing briefly with the salient features of the accounts, I would point out that the form in which they appear differs in some respects from that to which you have been accustomed in the past. After consultation with the Auditors certain alterations have been made in the form of the accounts to bring them into line with present-day practice, and the comparative figures for the preceding year have been inserted.

Apart from this side all the variations of moment take place in the last section, the total of which is £86,258,225. Stock-in-trade at £35,969,197 exceeds the last year's figure by no less than £16,541,482. While it is true to say that the stock of unmanufactured leaf in bond at the 31st October, 1942, stood at a rather higher figure than a year before, the main cause of this enormous increase lies in our stocks of manufactured goods, which have increased in both value and quantity for the two following reasons:—Firstly, in April, 1942, the Chancellor of the Exchequer increased the rate of tobacco duty by ten shillings per lb., and this, of course, means that duty-paid stocks have a very much higher duty-paid value. Secondly, during the year, at the request of the Government we built up our manufactured stocks to a level a good deal higher than normal. In brief, then, we are carrying bigger manufactured stocks on which a much higher rate of duty has been paid than at 31st October, 1941. You will remember that the tobacco duty, which was 9/6 per lb. four years ago, is now 29/6 per lb.

Debtors are also much more than last year, the increase being £7,641,559. This is almost entirely due to the advance in prices, caused by the large increase in duty to which I have referred. Government and other Securities stand at £651,024 against last year's £2,316,049, a decrease of £1,164,025. At 31st October, 1941 a large part of our investments under this heading were in the form of Treasury Bills, which matured soon after that date. Subsequently in December, 1941 the Chancellor announced the issue of Tax Reserve Certificates. Your Company at once took up a holding of £7,000,000, thus meeting the wishes of the Government by an immediate transfer to the Treasury of the cash required for the payment of tax liabilities. There still remains a further gap of £2,184,025 to be accounted for, and this I will leave, together with the reductions in cash at bankers and in hand and in loans to corporations etc., until I touch on the Balance Sheet appearing on the other side of the balance sheets merely noting at this stage that the sum total of these reductions comes to £2,891,317.

GENERAL RESERVE

Capital and Liabilities.—General reserve appears at £29,500,000, the increase of £500,000 representing a transfer from the profits of the year under review.

Profit and loss account £1,701,032 is the balance left after providing for proposed final dividends and bonus; I will deal with this item more fully later under its separate heading.

Creditors, provision for taxation, and other provisions amount to £41,089,490, an increase of £7,026,858. This is entirely due to the time-lag between the earning of profits and the handing over to the Revenue of the taxation arising out of those profits, despite the fact that from time to time we have paid substantial sums on account of tax liabilities not yet agreed. Let me add that your Board are satisfied that adequate provision has been made for all liability under this heading up to the date at which the balance sheet was struck.

Now I come to the bank loan. This appears at £7,500,000, and if you will add to this figure the reductions which I mentioned earlier in connection with certain assets—£2,891,317—you will find that our liquid resources, other than stock and debtors, have been depleted by £10,391,317. This, of course, is the inevitable consequence of the sterling increases in stocks and debtors, the reasons for which I have already given, and were it not for the time-lag between earning profits and paying taxes, to which I have often referred, this depletion would have been considerably greater.

Deposits by and current accounts with subsidiary companies have increased by £2,200,000, due much more to larger cash deposits by certain of our subsidiary companies than to increased balances on trading accounts.

Finally, before I leave the balance sheet, you will notice that the dividends on Preference stocks for the second half of the year and proposed final dividend and bonus are brought in as liabilities, in anticipation of their approval by the stockholders in general meeting.

NET PROFIT

The net profit for the year, after providing for all charges, bonus to customers, income tax and other taxation, and depreciation of property, plant, etc., together with income from investments and loans, shows a figure of £7,970,538, a decrease of £10,905. After providing £10,000 for directors' fees and transferring £500,000 to general reserve account, there remains a balance of profit for the year of £7,460,538. Adding to that figure the balance brought forward from last year, £1,666,436, we get a total of £9,126,774 available for distribution. From this sum there fall to be deducted the dividends for the year on the three classes of Preference Stock, leaving for disposal a sum of £8,274,566. An interim dividend on the Ordinary Stock at the rate of 7½ per cent., free of income tax, was paid last September, and it is now proposed, subject to your approval, to declare a final dividend of 7½ per cent. and a bonus of 2½ per cent., both free of income tax, making a total distribution for the year of 17½ per cent., free of income tax.

The balance remaining to be carried forward is £1,701,032, which is about £34,000 more than the amount brought in at the commencement of the year.

The dividend is the same as last year, both gross and net, and I trust you will regard the maintenance of the rate as a thoroughly satisfactory achievement.

As you are aware, we have thought it well for a number of years past to mark our appreciation of the loyal and willing service of our employés both at home and abroad by a gift over and above the ordinary rate of wage. This policy has always been favoured by the stockholders; it has undoubtedly tended to maintain and increase the good feeling that has existed among our employés, and I am confident that you will—as in past years—welcome the decision of the directors to make a gift to the staff and workpeople of a sum equivalent to 16 per cent. of the total salary or wage received from the company during the twelve months ended 31st October, 1942. The control of the gift remains in the same as in previous years, the directors reserving to themselves a discretion to grant or withhold a share in the gift in any case that may appear to them to require exceptional treatment.

FUTURE PROSPECTS

The outstanding event in the year under review was the unprecedented increase of 10s. per lb. in the tobacco duty last April, to which I have already referred. Notwithstanding that, consumption has been well maintained; our factories are working to capacity, and we continue to manufacture and sell as much as our quota of raw material allows.

Last year I alluded to some of the difficulties of maintaining output in wartime—difficulties arising from the reduced quantity and quality of materials available for packing our goods, and last, but not least, the calls on our man and woman power. I do not propose to enlarge on these difficulties this year. They are to be expected in the third and fourth years of a world war; our duty is to overcome them to the best of our ability, but I can assure you that there are times when it is not an easy task.

We have had experience of another year of the working of Government control of the industry. It would not be out of place to record that just as we endeavour to meet all the Government's wishes, so we continue to receive most considerate and helpful treatment from the departments concerned, and above all from the Tobacco Controller himself. Last year I paid a special tribute to Mr. Maxwell's work. By another year in office he has shown how thoroughly he deserves the confidence and support that he has received from all sections of the trade.

Another important event to which I should like to refer is the scheme adopted at the end of last year for economising transport in the distribution of cigarettes.

This scheme was worked out by the leading manufacturers, and involves a very considerable exchange of manufacture. The difficulties of putting into force a scheme of this nature would be formidable in peacetime; obviously in these times such difficulties are magnified many times. However, it has been done, and a very substantial saving of transport effected, without imposing and hardship on the smoking public.

As regards the future there is little that one can say without venturing on the dangerous paths of prophecy, of which I have always tried to steer clear. The fact is that the popularity of our standard brands is to-day as great as ever. For our ability to supply them we are, however, in the hands of the Government. Provided that we are permitted to obtain supplies of our raw material, and to retain sufficient skilled staff and labour to manufacture and distribute our products, we shall continue to fulfil the requirements of the smoking public.

Moved by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. G. A. Falk, the report and accounts were adopted. The resolutions declaring the dividend were passed. The retiring directors were re-elected and auditors re-appointed. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS

GAIETY THEATRE
Nightly, 7.15. Matinée Saturday, 2.30.
W. O'GORMAN, GERARD HEALY, LAURENCE ELVAN, HARRY BROGAN.
THE PLAY OF THE YEAR.
THE INVINCIBLES.
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A COMEDY BY ST. JOHN ERVINE.
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Nightly at 7.15 p.m. (Exactly).
Matinee Saturday, 2.30.
IN GOOD KING CHARLES'S GOLDEN DAYS. By Bernard Shaw.

METROPOLE To-day at 2 o'c. 4.20, 6.40 & 9 o'c.
George Montgomery, Ann Rutherford, Glenn Miller and his Band in "ORCHESTRA WIVES," with Lynn Bari, Carole Landis, Cesar Romero.

GRAFTON Continuous, 2 to 10.30
2.20, 4.30, 6.45, 9.0
Marlene Dietrich, Fred MacMurray in "THE LADY IS WILLING"
The Hilarious New Comedy.

THEATRE DE LUXE
Dublin's Super Cinema—3-10.30 p.m.
Brian Donlevy, Veronica Lake, Alan Ladd, "THE GLASS KEY."
Showing at 4.10, 6.38, 9.06.

CORINTHIAN
Edward Norris: "MAN WITH TWO LIVES," at 2.26, 4.49, 7.12, 9.35.
Lee Gorcey and Billy Gilbert in "MR. WISE GUY," at 3.29, 5.52, 8.15.

ASTORIA DUN LAOGHAIRE. At 4.28, 6.55, 9.22.
Alan Mowbray, Joan Davis, Eddie Foy in "HITTING THE HEADLINES."
Roy Rogers "The Man from Cheyenne," Thurs.: "To the Shores of Tripoli."

GREEN 3.30, 6.20, 9.0. Clark Gable, Jean Harlow, "SARATOGA." Also Wayne Morris, Mgt. Lindsay, "DOUBLE ALIBI."

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To-day at 3 p.m.
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

A SACRED CONCERT
Will be Held in the
C.M.S. HALL, 35 MOLESWORTH ST.
on TO-MORROW (Thursday) 25th FEB. AT 8 O'CLOCK, SHARP.
"CITY OF GOD."
A Sacred Cantata.
Music by CANON H. G. WARREN.
Admission Free.
Silver Collection for C.M.S. Medical Missions.

ATTENTION, ALL CARD PLAYERS! Society of St. Vincent de Paul. (Barristers' Conference.) A BRIDGE TOURNAMENT (and all other Card Games), in the GRESHAM HOTEL, SUNDAY, 7th MARCH, at 4 p.m.
Tickets (including tea)..... 5/-.
Please bring Cards and Markers, and note change in time. K.A.A.

Sean-Scoláiní Caiside na Rinne
oíche na Rinne (Céilidhe, Ceol, Caipeain, Suipéan),
tis-osca hibernian,
Dé Márta, '43. 9 p.m.-3 a.m.
Ticeid 6/6 ag an hibernian,
nó ó L. Mac Suibne, Cumann Cuarda Eireann, 14 Sr. Mac Conaill. Seompai Sléarca. Ionad do Rocaib. K.A.A.

PUBLIC NOTICES

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY (IRELAND).

At the Annual General Meeting of the proprietors, held in the Gresham Hotel, Upper O'Connell street, Dublin, on Tuesday, 23rd day of February, 1943,

THE RIGHT HON. LORD GLENAVY, Chairman of the Company, in the Chair,

The Report and Accounts having been taken as read, it was RESOLVED:—

That the Common Seal of the Company be affixed to the Register of Shareholders.

That the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1942, be received and adopted.

That Dividends, as under, less Income Tax, be and are hereby declared in respect of the year ended 31st December, 1942, and be payable on 1st April next to the Proprietors who were registered at the closing of the Transfer Books on 28th January, 1943:—

£2 per cent. (final) on the Consolidated 4 per cent. Guaranteed Stock, making with the Interim Dividend of £2 per cent. paid on 1st October last, £4 per cent. for the year.

£4 per cent. on the Consolidated 4 per cent. Preference Stock.

£1 10s. per cent. on the Ordinary Stock.

That the three Directors who retire by rotation, viz.:—Sir George E. Clark, Bart., Mr. James M. Carroll and Mr. Kennedy Shearer, be and are hereby re-elected Directors of the Company.

That Mr. Edward Becker, F.C.A., be and is hereby re-elected an Auditor of the Company.

That the Fees of the Auditors be and are hereby increased from 200 guineas to 300 guineas per annum as from 1st January, 1943.

GLENAVY, Chairman.
F. W. WALLACE, Secretary.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman, Directors and Staff was passed unanimously.
F. C. WALLACE, Secretary.

GREAT SOUTHERN RAILWAYS (OMNIBUS DEPARTMENT).

ALTERATIONS IN OMNIBUS SERVICES.

On and from MONDAY NEXT, 1st MARCH, 1943, and until further notice the following alterations will be made in Omnibus Services:—

DUBLIN/KILDARE SERVICE.
The 10.00 p.m. service from Dublin to Kildare on week-days will be altered to leave at 9.30 p.m.

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FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS APPLY TO THE MANAGER, OMNIBUS DEPARTMENT, TRANSPORT HOUSE, DUBLIN (PHONE 71851), OR TO ANY OF THE COMPANY'S AGENTS, CONDUCTORS, OR LOCAL OFFICES.

BY ORDER,
THE GENERAL MANAGER.
Kingsbridge Station, Dublin.
23.2.43.

COMHAIRLE CHONNDAE BHAILE ATHA CLIATH.
(County Dublin County Council.)
LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1925.
SECTION 25.

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioner administering the affairs of the above Council will, at Sitting to be held on Monday, 29th March, 1943, make an Order declaring the following to be public roads:—

1—Matt Lane, Balbriggan. Length 400 perches.
2—George's Hill, Balbriggan, from Drogheda Street to Station Street. Length 24 perches.
3—Flag Lane, Rush. Length 82 perches.
4—Fluchhinin Lane, Garristown. Length 240 perches.
5—Road from Church Road to Margaret Road, Malahide. Length 26 perches.
6—Road at South Strand, Skerries. Length 160 perches.
7—Road between Corr's Lane and Hand's Lane, Rush, at South Shore, Rush. Length 80 perches.
8—Whitestown Road, Clonmeagh Castle Estate. Length 24 perches.
9—Woodlawn Park, Churchtown. Length 66 perches.

(Signed) FRANCIS A. MAGUIRE,
Acting County Secretary.
Date: 24th February, 1943.
Offices: 11 Parnell Square, Dublin.

FOR LEGAL NOTICES AND OTHER PUBLIC NOTICES SEE PAGE 4.

Irish Times

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 24, 1943.

Second Fronts

Less than a year ago all England was clamouring for a "second front." Millions of the people who raised the clamour, if interrogated, would not have been very clear about what they meant by a second front, and, if pressed to give details concerning the requirements of a second front, would have been sadly at sea. A similar charge, however, could not have been laid at the door of M. Josef Stalin, whose appreciation of military affairs has been vindicated in ample measure. When he laid stress on the desirability of a second front against the Axis Powers, his allies would have been ill-advised not to give ear. M. Stalin has been blunt in his language on the subject more than once. He pointed out last summer that the great bulk of the fighting in the present war has been borne by the Russians, and—before the unexpected advance of the Red Army during the past three months demonstrated that Russia was not incapable of taking care of herself—he declared as flatly as "diplomatic" language would permit, that, unless Great Britain and America created a wholesale diversion, not merely ought they to be ashamed of themselves, but their blood would be on their own head. From every point of view, the Russian leader had a right to say what he thought. It is questionable whether similar criticism within England and America themselves has similar justification—or similar authority. Yesterday Lord Beaverbrook raised the question of a second front before the House of Lords. The Allies, he insisted, must strike, first, Germany, and then Japan, with speed and energy; they must invade North-Western Europe at once; they also must "invade in the Mediterranean," but from Great Britain, as well as from a North African base. Lord Beaverbrook's urgings had a poor reception; the general attitude of the Lords was that it is easier to talk about these things than to do them. It was pointed out that the North African campaign of last November had diverted approximately half of Germany's fighting aircraft, to the doubtless considerable relief of the Russians, and that the Anglo-American raids upon Axis territory had increased the figure to one-half of Germany's total air strength. The policy of the belligerents is, strictly, none of our business; yet we may be permitted to wonder that the British Government does not lose patience with its critics more often. It has been admitted that the "battle of the Atlantic" is far from over, and that the Allied shortage of shipping remains acute. Aircraft—including gliders—may be bigger than ever and capable of greater feats; yet any invasion of Europe on a major scale—whether directly from England or *via* the Mediterranean—must continue to depend upon ships. Mr. Churchill has revealed that the landings in North Africa demanded many months of planning, and an inordinate mass of transport. How much more planning, and how much more transport, would be needed for an attack upon continental Europe, the centre of Axis power? Indubitably, a full-scale "second front" would be the correct strategy at the present moment, while the Germans are experiencing their first really grave set-back since the beginning of the war; but is it possible? Who knows? Perhaps a campaign on the grand scale is in course of preparation, and will be launched at any time. Whether or not, however, the question is one for the heads of the Allied Governments and of the Allied armies; it poses problems that cannot be answered by the rank and file of the people, or even by the rank and file of a Parliament.

Student Politics

With the approach of the elections, attention is turned again upon the question of university politics. The universities are represented in the Senate, although voting is confined to graduates; the individual students of over twenty-one years of age are among the voters for the Dail. It might well be imagined that upon the student body particularly the more revolutionary political groups would focus their attention, and that its small but compact vote would be important in its way. This, at least, would be the view of those who were accustomed, in the pre-war years, to read of the activities of students in world political movements. In the European capitals they were mixed up in nationalistic and communistic riots; in India and in China they have always been a force of some importance among the workers for a new and autonomous *régime*. Even in the universities of England and Scotland political feeling runs high. The voting in debating societies goes according to parties, and not according to fortuitous personal preferences; the speakers—especially the Left Wing—bring forward not debating points, but sincere and fiercely-held opinions. In Scotland the Conservative and Socialist arrangement is further complicated by the introduction of a Scottish Nationalist Party, possibly the most earnestly evangelistic of all. The contrast with the ordinary university debate in Ireland is obvious. Here, a speaker takes up an attitude with reference to strategy rather than to conviction. He makes his points for sheer love of argument; as often as not they are by no means in harmony with his own views. There is no arrangement upon the lines of major political parties, and very little concern with the realities of politics. This detachment, charming as it may be in some of its aspects, cannot fail to cause concern. A university feels, to the student, as if it were the whole world. Matters outside it, whatever their real importance, seem to touch him not at all; he is, as it were, in an intellectual thermos-flask. Yet the same young men and women, to whom the world is so distant and unreal, must emerge at the end of a few years and control that world. If they are not alive to the serious issues in it, so much the worse for everybody. If they do not treat the election of a Senate and a Dail, to whom the legislation of the State will be committed, as a serious matter, so much the worse for the State. There is in the attitude of the student to politics a great deal of the rather weary cynicism which is to be found so often in Ireland—cynicism that is always the aftermath of revolution, when the new *régime*, that seemed so different from the old in its promises, turns out to be very like the old in its practice. The young people have had enough politics, and they prefer to leave such things alone. Yet, as Mr. de Valera pointed out, if the people have fault to find with their politicians, the remedy is in their own hands. It is hard to expect an effectual politician to come from a weary and uninteresting electorate.

Roller Skates

"Nature knows best" is an axiom which has been used, at some time or other, to justify everything from nudism to assaults upon medical officers in the Connemara Gaeltacht. Who first coined it nobody appears to know; on what reasoning it was based is still less obvious. There is the very simple example of wheels. Man was scarcely settled upon the earth when his elementary powers of ratiocination led him to invent the wheel. That simple disc has been the basis of all his material progress to this very day. With the aid of the wheel he has enabled himself to travel faster than the antelope, to build more efficiently than the beaver, to dig more rapidly than the mole. Yet Nature, in her wisdom, has never taken any notice of the idea; and the antelope, the beaver and the mole are built without wheels to this day. It must cause some chagrin to man himself, if he stops to consider the matter, that he also continues to be born with the antiquated paraphernalia of legs, and must equip himself with his wheels artificially. He may feel some satisfaction, however, at the thought that, after the blundering attempts of the motor-car and the railway, the stress of emergency has driven him to the perfect form of individual locomotion. In the streets of Dublin to-day the roller-skater is king. With the speed of a thunderbolt, and the agility of a ballet-dancer, he swings easily in and out between the cycles and 'buses. He zigzags along the pavement between the startled lines of mere pedestrians; he curls contemptuously around the Guards on point-duty, and executes figures of eight before the admiring eyes of the apple-women. He is followed by the curses of men, but he cares not; for he is the super-man. Sooner or later, the whole population will be forced to take to roller-skates, just as, in self-defence, every primitive cave-dweller had to adopt the flint axe. Perhaps, if evolution does its work, Dubliners may eventually be born with wheels.

THE Right Hon. James MacMahon, P.C., Chairman of the Dublin United Transport Company, Ltd., will perform the opening ceremony of the new D.U.T. club to-morrow evening.

Colonel Howard Bury has arrived in Dublin from Mullingar.

Mrs. Oliver St. John Gogarty and Miss Brenda Gogarty have arrived in Dublin from Renvyle, and are staying at the Shelbourne Hotel.

Mrs. Seymour Leslie, of Glaslough, Co. Monaghan, is staying in Dublin.

The Hon. Bruce Ogilvie has returned to Edinburgh from Dublin. Mrs. Ogilvie is remaining in Ireland.

Mr. Edward MacLaughlin will return to Dublin from London next month.

The engagement is announced between William Sulivan Empson, Bank of Ireland, only son of the late Canon Empson and of Mrs. Empson, Roxboro Terrace, Rostrevor, Co. Down, and Iris, daughter of the Reverend William and Mrs. O'Neill, Greystones, Co. Wicklow.

Switzers are showing a new collection of smart Thread Jumpers in fancy stitch, with round neck, in Sky, Turquoise, Scarlet, Pink and Yellow. They can be had with short sleeves at 23/11 and long sleeves at 29/6. (3 coupons.)

Leaders of fashion in all Spectacle Wear. — Dixon and Hempenstall, Grafton street.

Model suit, just arrived, in brown and white check tweed, cost cut with new long waist.—Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

Bring your friends to the Lounge Bar, Four Courts Hotel.

Revellon, Maison de Modes, shows very smart suits and coats for early Spring.—51a Dawson St., Dublin.

Miss Josie McCabe wore at her wedding a sapphire blue wool cloqué twopiece with white piqué trimmings, and blue felt hat with wreath of varied felt flowers.—(Slyne and Co., Ltd.)

Miss McCabe's bridesmaid selected powder blue with blue velvet appliqué and dark blue beret with peak.—(Slyne and Co., Ltd.)

Miss McCabe travelled in a silver grey mohair coat.—(Slyne and Co., Ltd.)

Miss O'Donoghue wore at her wedding a pleated blue wool frock with short coat with rococo motifs, and brown hat with veil.—(Slyne and Co., Ltd.)

The faint pink twopiece with touches of navy and rose worn by Miss Marie Hayes at her wedding was smartly pleated throughout.—(Slyne and Co., Ltd.)

Miss May Deering's wedding ensemble was of mist blue crêpe finely tucked with short coat.—(Slyne and Co., Ltd.)

Miss Deering, bridesmaid, chose a dark blue costume with cupid bows appliqués in petunia.—(Slyne and Co., Ltd.)

Put Spring in your stride—wear a new-season shoe style from Stephens & Bourke's varied selection.

Chiropody: All Foot Troubles.—N. Devitt, M.N.I.Ch., M.N.S.Ch., M.N.I.M., 5 Wicklow street.

Sharpley's Specialists. Baby Linen, Nursery Accouchement Sets. Price List.—2 Nassau street, Dublin.

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	8.27	8.24
Sets	6.52	6.54
Lighting-up Time	7.22	7.24

ON THE WIRELESS

IRISH PROGRAMME

6.0—"Ireland in Story and Song." Script by Brid Mahon. Produced by J. J. Henry. 6.40—Stock Exchange, Sports Results. Official Announcements. 6.45—News. 7.5—"Agricultural Notes" by Dept. of Agriculture, with follow-up by Patrick Hutchins. 7.20—Myles McSweeney (baritone). 7.30—"Information, Please." 8.0—Light Music. 8.5—"Radio Omnibus," presented by Noel Hartnett and Harry Kennedy. 8.35—"The Music of Byrd and Tallis": Choir of Mullingar Cathedral. Organist and Choirmaster, Philip Dore. 9.10—"Thrashing It Out"—Discussion on The Dogs, presented by Michael Farrell, with Niall Sheridan, Andrew MacGregor and P. Riordan. 9.40—Gerard Shanahan (piano). 10.0—Nuacht. 10.10—News in English. 10.30—Robert Emmet Ceilidhe Octet and Caitlin Ni Chinneide (Amhrain).

B.B.C. PROGRAMME

HOME SERVICE.

7.0—News. 7.15—"Hello, Parents." 7.30—Exercises. 7.50—Time for To-To-day. 7.55—"Lift Up Your Hearts." 8.0—News. 8.15—The Kitchen Front. 8.20—Records. 8.0 Sextet. 9.30—"Starlight." 9.45—"At Home To-day." 10.5—Schools. 10.15—The Daily Service. 10.30—Music While You Work. 11.0—Schools. 12.0—Orchestra. 12.30—Works Wonders. 1.0—News. 1.15—Concert. 1.50—Schools. 3.0—"R.A.F. in Africa." 3.30—Comedy. 4.5—Operatic Concert. 5.0—News in Welsh. 6.30—News in Norwegian. 6.45—"Concerto for Crooks" (Play, by Peter Cheyney). 7.15 — Symphony Concert. 8.20—Children's Hour. 8.0—News. 9.0—News. 9.25—"The Petrified Forest." 9.55—"The Stars Come Out at Night." 10.30—"North of the Tweed." 10.45—Scottish Dance Music. 11.0—"And So To Bed." 11.5—Lou Preager. 11.35—Rex Leopold's Players. 12.0—News.

ALTERNATIVE SERVICE.

6.30—"Reveille." 7.0—News. 7.15—Band. 7.30—Band. 8.0—News. 8.15—The Kitchen Front. 8.20—Records. 9.0—Sextet. 9.30—"Starlight." 9.45—Organ. 10.0—"Small Change." 10.30—Music While You Work. 11.0—Student Songs. 11.25—"Dance While You Dust." 12.0—Orchestra. 12.30—Band. 1.0—News. 1.15—Greetings From Home. 1.45—Orchestra. 2.15—Organ. 2.30—"Heather Mixture." 3.0—Music While You Work. 3.30—Orchestra. 4.0—Music Hall. 5.0—Swing Show Case." 5.30—"Good Hunting." 6.0—News. 6.30—"Forces' Choice." 7.0—American Sports. 7.30—"Round the World Goes By." 7.30—Brisa Half-Hour. 8.0—Dancing Club. 9.0—News. 9.25—The Radio Padre. 9.40—Band. 10.10—"Thursday Wednesday Story." 10.30—Music While You Work. 11.0—Close down.

CHURCH SERVICES

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—10, Matins, Litany, 8 and 11. H.C. in the Lady Chapel. 4, Evensong (men's voices).

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.—10, H.C. (in Lady Chapel). 10.45, Matins and Litany (Quiet Day for Divinity Students). 3, Evensong.

ST. ANN'S CHURCH, Dawson Street.—8 and 11.30, H.C.

ALL SAINTS', Phibsboro' Road.—7, H.C. 9, Matins. 10, Children. 10.45, H.C. 7.30, Choral Evensong.

THE MAGDALEN CHURCH, Lower Leeson Street (the Church's Ministry of Healing).—8 and 10.30, Healing Service with Laying-on of Hands and Address.

CHRIST CHURCH, Leeson Park.—8.30 and 11.30, H.C. 9.45, Intercession.

ST. WERBURGH'S CHURCH.—8, B.P. FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, Dublin, 17 Baggot street, is a branch church of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Mass. Services: Sunday, 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Sunday School, 11.30 a.m. Wednesday: Testimony Meeting, 8 p.m. Christian Science Reading Room (same address) open daily, except Saturdays, from 2 to 5; Sundays, 6-7 p.m.

IRISH WILLS

Harold Mitchell, company director, Stepaside Hill, Malahide, County Dublin, died 24th October, 1942—£22,493.

Charles Parker Cussen, antique dealer, Grafton street, Dublin, died 14th December, 1942—£6,509.

Thomas Bourke, 3 Pembroke road, Dublin, died 11th November, 1942—£3,260.

The Hon. James Creed Meredith, Hopeton, Tereaure road, Dublin, Judge of the High Court, died 14th August, 1942—£5,249.

THE CHURCH OF IRELAND
NEW APPOINTMENTS

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The Bishop of Ossory will institute the Rev. F. A. G. Willis to the incumbency of the Union of Dunleckney, Nurney and Clonmulsh on to-morrow (Wednesday), 24th Feb.

The Very Rev. H. W. McClelland has been instituted to the incumbency of Lickmolassy.

THE GREAT O'NEILL

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES

SIR,—The greater part of your reviewer's notice of my book, "The Great O'Neill," is taken up with his personal view of the Gaelic background and tradition of the time. Of my record of the life of O'Neill he says little, and, since he has not apparently discovered any error of fact—he mentions none—in all my 283 pages, I have little occasion to reply. But I would like to save readers of his review from the error of thinking that there is, possibly, some material about this Gaelic background which I and others have overlooked, and which, if examined, would radically alter the general picture. I could not possibly follow your reviewer through all his loose and airy gestures in the general direction of this unmined material, but I will give three examples to illustrate how unreliable his references are.

1. He says that I have failed to discuss "the corpus of philosophic writing in Irish which Father Francis Shaw, S.J., has expounded." These large words, "corpus" and "expounded," might not convey to your readers that he is merely referring to a single article of some seven pages; nor is it the fact that Father Shaw has thus "expounded" this "corpus of philosophic writing in Irish":—"All these texts are a direct translation from the Latin . . ." Father Shaw further explains that these copyists made no attempt to "develop independently the philosophic matter which they took from outside." In short, no corpus of philosophic writing in Irish has yet been unearthed.

2. Your reviewer speaks airily of the "vast spiritual literature of the Bards, so much of which has been made accessible by Father Lambert McKenna, S.J., and brilliantly analysed by an American Jesuit." Your reviewer is referring to an article of four and a-half pages by a Father Murphy, of Boston College, who, so far as I know, is not a Gaelic scholar. His "brilliant analysis" is a trifle on the lines of: "The Nine Choirs of Angels are frequently mentioned . . . The bards also mention the Last Judgment, and the Seven Sacraments . . ." etc. Both of these articles are in the "Festschrift" to Eoin MacNeill.

3. Your reviewer makes a great to-do about my alleged failure to give the correct, native version of Tyrone's peace-terms. This theory of "true" and "cooked" version began, so far as I can make out, with the late Darrell Figgis in an article later embodied in his "Bye-ways of Study." It is an interesting notion, but of no importance, even if correct, since the two drafts are virtually identical. All the terms which your reviewer mentions from the draft he chooses are in the draft I chose, taking it from Dr. Constantia Maxwell's invaluable source-book. The scholar whom I consulted agrees that there is no certainty about the idea, and that each student may use whichever version he likes at his own discretion.

I want to be quite clear that I am not trying to hint at any dishonesty on the part of your reviewer. In fact I have a certain sympathy with this kind of writer, who (I do not know who he is, since he writes under a pseudonym) evidently belongs to that generous-minded, highly patriotic, if rather uncritical generation which undertook Irish studies in the spirit of propagandists who had been annoyed—and justly annoyed—by the bias of men like Gilbert Mahaffy. They collected — Alice Stopford Green was one of the most tireless of them—a lot of interesting data, but they could not refrain from blowing it out and out until what began as a fact ended as a wraith. As every subsequent student must have found to his cost, one is led to waste days in pursuit of their allusive references, only to find, all too often, that the point where they began bears small relation to the point where they ended.

Nevertheless, they did their own part. They sent out suggestive feelers. They excited our minds to look at our own side of the picture. They collected data even if they exaggerated its import. Still, I do think that it is about time we stopped this propagandist approach. We now have our own scholars (like Father Shaw and Father McKenna). They do not blow out their data. And I do not think that they, or any of your readers, will feel flattered by your reviewer's idea that it is necessary to do it for them.—Yours, etc.,

SEÁN O'FAOLÁIN.
Dublin, February 23rd, 1943.

BISHOP PERCY'S RELIQUES

A paper, "Bishop Percy's Reliques, the First Dublin Edition," was read by Mrs. E. MacCarvill at a meeting of the Bibliographical Society of Ireland on the 22nd inst. Mr. M. Butler contributed "A Note on F. B. Hamilton."

DEFENCE SERVICES

Over 1,000 troops were entertained by Brown Thomas and Co., Ltd., Grafton street, Dublin, at an Army matinee in the Theatre Royal yesterday. Commandant Clancy, on behalf of the Army, thanked Brown Thomas's for providing their second sponsored programme for the soldiers. Mr. E. A. McGuire replied.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

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BIRTHS.

GREMIN—December 20, 1942, at Vichy, to Patricia, wife of C. C. Cremin, Secretary, Irish Legation, a daughter (Creeda Mary Geraldine).

HORAN—February 15, 1943, at the Leinster Nursing Home, to Joan (nee Dempsey), wife of Desmond G. Horan, 11 Herbert road, Sandymount, a son (Gerald Philip Raymund).

MONTGOMERY—February 11, 1943, at Leinster Private Nursing Home, to Eileen, wife of John Montgomery, a son.

ROBINSON—February 15, 1943, to Angel, wife of Francis T. Robinson, 18 Clarinda Park, E., Dun Laoghaire, a son (Paul Francis).

ROSS—February 10, 1943, at Fitzwilliam Nursing Home, 40 Upper Fitzwilliam street, Dublin, to Lolo, wife of Gordon Ross, solicitor, Mullingar, Westmeath, a son (Gordon Joseph).

DEATHS.

DOWSE—February 23, 1943, at Templeshannon quay, Enniscorthy, Maude Pulleyne Dowse, widow of the late Dr. R. H. Dowse, M.D. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday), 2.45 p.m. No letters.

DUFFY—February 23, 1943, at his residence, 10 Eglinton Park, Dun Laoghaire, Patrick J. Duffy, R.I.P. Remains will be removed to St. Michael's Church, Dun Laoghaire, at 6.15 o'clock this (Wednesday) evening. Mass at 7 a.m. to-morrow (Thursday) morning.

EATON—February 22, 1943, Emily, widow of the late William Eaton, of Sandymount, Tipperary. Funeral to-day (Wednesday), 2 p.m. (S.T.), from Tipperary Church for Kilshane.

FARRELL—February 23, 1943, at Glenarm, 61 Terenure road, East, James Farrell, late of 2 Gartan avenue. Funeral from St. Columba's, Iona road, to Glasnevin, after 10 o'clock Mass, to-day (Wednesday). R.I.P.

FITZSIMONS—February 22, 1943, at her residence, Ballinacor, Rathdrum, Charlotte, loving wife of William Fitzsimons. Deeply regretted. "Thy will be done." Funeral to Ballinatone to-day (Wednesday) at 2 o'clock (S.T.).

GIFFORD—February 23, 1943, at his residence, 12 Glenart avenue, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, John William, beloved husband of Barbara Elizabeth Gifford, and son of the late Charles and Margaret Gifford. Funeral private. No flowers. No mourning, by request.

GORGES—February 21, 1943, at his residence, 125 Rhode Island avenue, Newport, U.S.A., Raymond Noward, fourth son of the late Major John Howard Gorges. (By cable.)

HENRY—February 23, 1943, in Dublin, William, Henry, Surgeon, Blessington, Co. Wicklow. Funeral arriving in Blessington to-morrow (Thursday) at 3 p.m.

KEATINGE—February 23, 1943, at Adelaide Hospital, James Taylor, beloved husband of Eleanor Keatinge. Deeply regretted. Funeral strictly private. No flowers, by request.

PEARSON—February 23, 1943, at a Dublin hospital, Annie (Cis), beloved wife of Thomas Pearson, Rellifield terrace, Enniscorthy. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday), 3 o'clock (S.T.), at Christ Church, Gorey.

RINGWOOD—February 23, 1943, at a nursing home in Dublin, James Perry, late of 50 Fitzwilliam square, Dublin, last surviving son of the late Revd. F. H. Ringwood, in his 84th year. Funeral strictly private.

RUSSELL—February 23, 1943, at her residence, Coolbawn, Borrisokane, Gertrude Anne Russell, third daughter of Colonel Dowell, V.C.

TAGGART—February 23, 1943, at Adelaide Hospital, Dublin, Robert James (Bertie) Taggart, 1 Garryowen, Templeogue. Deeply regretted by sorrowing wife, mother and family. Funeral arrangements later.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this Column will be found on Page 3.

IN MEMORIAM.

COLE—In loving memory of Alexander Nelson Cole, 24th February, 1942.

DODD—Twelfth Anniversary—In memory of Reuben James Dodd, 65 Pembroke road. Deeply mourned.

HALBERT—In memory of Mrs. Mary Halbert, of Marlborough road, Glenageary, who died 24th February, 1934. R.I.P.

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Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Statute 22nd and 23rd Vic., Cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors, or otherwise to have any claims or demands against the estate of the above Deceased, who died on the 13th day of January, 1943, are hereby required on or before the 31st day of March, 1943, to furnish (in writing) particulars of such claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executor of the Will of the above Deceased, to whom Probate thereof was, on the 29th day of January, 1943, granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Eire. And Notice is hereby further given that after the said 31st day of March, 1943, the said Executor will proceed to distribute the estate of the said Deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims and demands of which notice and particulars shall have been furnished as above required.
Dated this 23rd day of February, 1943.
WILLIAM J. KEERY, Solicitor for the Executor, 19 and 20 Fleet Street, Dublin.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
BRIDGET MARTHA O'MALLEY, late of Flat 7, 25 Pembroke road, Dublin, Widow. Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the Estate of the above Deceased, who died on 16th August, 1942, are hereby requested, not later than 29th March, 1943, to furnish particulars (in writing) to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executors, to whom Probate was granted on 14th January, 1943. After 29th March, 1943, the assets will be distributed, having regard only to the claims furnished.
Dated this 23rd day of February, 1943.
WHITNEY, MOORE & KELLER, Solicitors for the Executors, 46 Kildare Street, Dublin.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
DENIS ROBERT BACK-BERESFORD, late of Fenagh House, Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow, and The Tansey, Bally Co. Dublin. Esquire. Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the Estate of the above Deceased who died on 6th March, 1942, are hereby required, not later than 29th March, 1943, to furnish particulars (in writing) to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executor, to whom Probate was granted on 24th March, 1942. After 29th March, 1943, the assets will be distributed, having regard only to the claims furnished.
Dated this 23rd day of February, 1943.
WHITNEY, MOORE & KELLER, Solicitors for the Executor, 46 Kildare Street, Dublin.

RE CAPTAIN WILLIAM TOWER TOWNSHEND, late of Bodiam Manor, in the County of Sussex, and formerly of Myross Wood, in the County of Cork, Deceased.
All persons having any claims against the estate of the above-named Deceased are requested to forward particulars of same (in writing) to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executors.
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MISCELLANEOUS

ROBERT SANDEMAN PEISLEY MacIVOR, Deceased, late of Waterloo Lodge, Ballinderry, Borrisokane, Co. Tipperary, Captain in His Majesty's Army (retired).
All persons having claims against the Estate of the above Deceased are required to furnish particulars, in writing, of such claims to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executors.
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